

Mayor Charles "Skip" Lee called the study session to order at 6:30 pm on Monday, February 8, 2016. Roll call. Present: Aldermen Bob Conklin, Retha Elston, Joe Martin, Chris Schuchard, John Stauter, and Chris Wilen. Absent: None.

Also present were City Manager Scott Shumard, Finance Director Cindy Von Holten, Superintendent of Building and Zoning Amanda Schmidt, Superintendent of Public Works Brad Schrader, Fire Chief Gary Cook, Interim Police Chief Tim Morgan, and City Clerk Marie Rombouts.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There were no communications from Visitors.

Department Heads presented their sections of the General Fund Budget.

Following the Public Works Parks Maintenance Budget, Manager Shumard reported that a couple firms have been asked to draw plans for Grandon. Council agreed that Grandon needs improvements. Shumard wanted a plan so that all improvements contribute to the overall plan.

Shumard shared an illustration of Platt Park. He stated there has been interest in building a bike path around the park with various berms. The Sharks baseball team may partner with the City to move the fence and make the park look more inviting.

Manager Shumard stated that Lynn Boulevard bonds were paid off in 2015 so that account will no longer exist.

Director Von Holten stated that the McFalls Landfill has an outstanding balance of \$650. It has been sent to collections. Von Holten suggested that the \$650 be written off and this account closed. If money is collected, it would be accepted, but it is doubtful.

Manager Shumard presented information on the NWSW Redevelopment Fund. Best Cobb rents the warehouse, owned by the City, near Wallace Street and Avenue B. The building has major deficiencies. The Council asked Manager Shumard to bring a few alternatives and costs to next week's Council meeting.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:18 pm.

Marie Rombouts, City Clerk